

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

IN RE: BAIR HUGGER FORCED AIR
WARMING DEVICES PRODUCTS
LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL No. 15-md-2666(JNE/DTS)

This document relates to:

LOUIS E. BELLANDE and BONNIE L.
BELLANDE,

Civil Action No. 16-cv-02700

Plaintiffs,

**PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE A REPLY IN SUPPORT OF
PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION OF PARTY**

Pursuant to L.R. 7.1(b)(3), Plaintiff files this motion for leave and respectfully requests leave of Court to file a Reply in Support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Substitution of Party. Plaintiffs' proposed reply is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Defendants have filed a response to Plaintiffs' Motion for Substitution of the deceased Plaintiff, Mr. Louis Bellande. In their response, Defendants make accusations that Ms. Bonnie L. Bellande—the widow of the deceased and a party to the case in her own right—is not a proper party for substitution. Defendants also reference the timing of the filing of the Suggestion of Death, which is wholly irrelevant substantively to the present Motion. Plaintiffs seek to file a reply to address these assertions made by Defendants and to address the needless reference to the timing of the Suggestion of Death in their Response. Therefore, Plaintiffs seek leave of Court to file the attached reply in support of their Motion.

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Respectfully submitted,

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